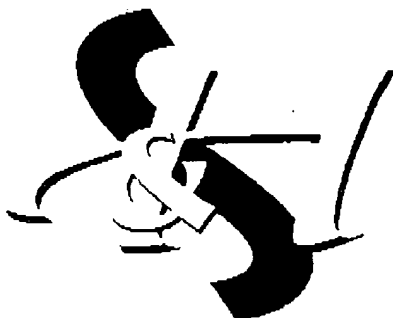


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In response to the office action mailed November 6, 2006, we enclose the following:

- 1) Response Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated February 5, 2007-(2 pages);
- 2) Amendment A with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated February 5, 2007 - (11 pages); and
- 3) Replacement drawings (3 pages).

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RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicants are independent inventors.

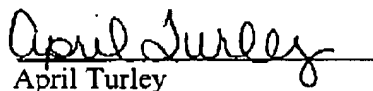
EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required.

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AMENDMENT A

Introductory Comments

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed 11/06/2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire 02/06/2007, the above-identified patent application is amended a first time as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawing Figures are attached to page 6 of this paper and include Replacement Sheets.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.